## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



In the Matter of

## **GENERAL ORDER #40**

The Northern District of New York Office of the United States Probation Service

Collapsible Baton Policy



## POLICY FOR THE USE OF COLLAPSIBLE BATONS BY THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK PROBATION OFFICERS

U.S. Probation Officers in the Northern District of New York are permitted to possess and use collapsible batons in relation to their official duties.

The carrying of a collapsible baton is voluntary.

The carrying of a collapsible baton is allowed, only after receiving authorized training, which may include training by the district safety instructor or other approved trainer.

A collapsible baton should only be used by an officer to optimize their safety.

Any use of a collapsible baton shall be reported in writing to the Chief U.S. Probation Officer within 24 hours unless specific prior approval is received.

The Chief U.S. Probation Officer has the discretion to suspend the use of collapsible batons at any time.

Submitted by:

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Chief U.S. Probation Officer

Date

September 22,2009

Approved by:

HONORABLE NORMAN A. MORDUE

Thief U.S. District Judge